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AS OF 5 A.M., GOVERNOR ANNOUNCES ALL STATE OFFICES CLOSED ON FRIDAY, FEB. 7

As a result of the winter storm, Gov. Ruth Ann Minner announced that all non-essential state should not report to work effective 5 a.m., Friday, February 07. Additionally, all government offices in Sussex County and the

City of Wilmington are closed Feb. 7. Again, non-essential employees are not to report to work.

All state employees and all employees of counties and Wilmington are asked to monitor the State of

Delaware web site, www.delaware.gov, Closings and Delays sub-page, and listen to local broadcast media for

updates.

Due to road conditions, members of the public are advised to avoid travel until further updates indicate that

roads are cleared and safe. Delaware State Police and officials of the Delaware Department of Transportation advise

that snowfall is still affecting primary roads and most secondary and tertiary roads are snow covered and driving can

be hazardous. Those who must travel are advised to carpool if possible, allow ample time for travel and use extreme

caution.

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